

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Hon. Phillip J. Green

v.

Case No. 1:21-mj-00050

BRANDON WAYNE PEARSON,

Defendant.

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ORDER OF DETENTION

This matter is before the Court on the government's motion for pretrial detention. Defendant has been charged in a Criminal Complaint with felon in possession of a firearm in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), possession with intent to distribute 5 grams or more of crystal methamphetamine in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(b)(1)(B)(vii), and possession of firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c). Given that probable cause was found in the preliminary hearing and the nature of the charges, there is a statutory rebuttable presumption in favor of detention.

The government sought defendant's detention on the basis the he is a danger to the community, 18 U.S.C. § 1342(f)(1), and that he poses a risk of non-appearance, 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(2)(A). The Court conducted a hearing on February 2, 2021, at which defendant was represented by counsel.

Having considered the information presented at the hearing, the parties' oral

submissions, and the information in the Pretrial Services Report, and for the reasons stated on the record the Court finds that defendant has rebutted the presumption of detention regarding risk of non-appearance, but not as to danger to the community. The Court also finds, as explained on the record, that the government has sustained its burden by clear and convincing evidence that he is a danger to the community. Further, the Court finds that there is no condition or combination of conditions of release that will ensure the safety of the community. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that defendant is committed to the custody of the Attorney General pending trial.

DONE AND ORDERED on February 2, 2021.

/s/ Phillip J. Green
PHILLIP J. GREEN
United States Magistrate Judge